

# SCOTT COUNTY NEWSBOY.

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Another co-operative colony has failed or is on the point of failure, viz., that at Topolobampo, on the Gulf of California. All of these communistic schemes seem to do well enough up to a certain point. That point is where the natural personal ambition of the members comes in and dictates to them that their services to the community are of more value than those of their neighbors, and should be more highly compensated. Until mankind is on a dead level of excellence or a dead level of worthlessness such conditions must always prevail. The ambition to be better off and more highly considered than our neighbors is one of the ineradicable traits of human nature, and is found even among the lower animals. It is the factor which has always been and always will be fatal to such experiments as this in California.

The Emperor of Russia died last week. What of it? The Russian government still lives, and it is so bad that no matter how good an Emperor may be, how great his private virtues or how willingly he would inaugurate reforms, he is doomed to be a political nonentity. Nor is his position an enviable one. "Uncle Sam" lies the head that wears a crown," says Shakespeare, and doubly uneasy the head of a Czar. His life is one long precaution against the bomb or knife or poison of the nihilist. It is hard to judge a man in such a position by common rules. His life is mapped out for him from the time he assumes the crown. One good trait the late autocrat had. He was a lover of international peace, and did what he could to preserve it.

It appears that after all the row we have been making about depression in industries, and so forth, only from 5 to 8 per cent of our working classes have suffered from the panic. To be sure, in a large population, most of whom earn their livelihood, this percentage out of employment is a sufficiently serious matter, but the calamity howlers made it appear that anywhere from 20 to 30 per cent of our wage earners had been suffering. Reduced to cold facts, we have not been hurt to anything like the extent represented, or rather misrepresented by a partisan press for political purposes only.

All experiments that have been made with broad tires on wagons go to prove that on roads good, bad and indifferent they reduce the draft by something like one half. Furthermore, instead of cutting into and making deep ruts in the roads the wide tire acts as a roller and contributes to the smoothness and solidity of the highway. A three inch tire will enable an ordinary team to haul a load of 4,480 pounds on a good dirt road with a draft of but 254 pounds. Will some of our progressive farmers give us an object lesson in this direction? It will pay to do so.

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND says: "I predict the death of the political party which makes use of sectarian hatred either to prop up its own cause or to lower the cause of its opponents. Religious prejudice is a boomerang which returns upon him who launches it. The cry of religious prejudice unfortunately has been raised, and in it there is often, I believe, more politics than religion. It should be put down. American loyalty and fitness for office—these must ever be, and these alone, the conditions which determine an American's vote."

AFTER taking a rest to spit on their hands, the Japs have taken a fresh hold and are making it as interesting as ever for John Chinaman. Japan also declares against foreign interference in the trouble, apparently feeling quite able to give a good account of her unweildy enemy alone. She should be allowed the opportunity. A good drubbing at the hands of an enemy whom she has hitherto held in the utmost contempt may be a potent agent in the civilization of the celestial empire.

SIKESTON, like many other towns, is making a war on cigarettes. It should be universal. The cigarette habit is simply the opium habit added to the tobacco habit. The same is true of the leading brands of chewing tobacco. Parents, clergy and doctors should all set their faces against a habit which is doing almost as much harm as the passion for alcohol, and is even harder to shake off.

ATTORNEY Goss, counsel for the Lexow commission, handles the Tammany ring without gloves. He has a habit of calling a spade a spade, and when he gets a Tammany thief on the stand he calls him a thief in plain English, no matter what his social status may be. He is a terror to some of New York's leading citizens.

"An area of low temperature" prevails over the Southern States.

THE mists now obscuring the reason of the people will be cleared away by the middle of next summer at latest. The Republican capitalists who shut down their mills, etc., until after election for political effect will at once resume business; a good tariff in working order will have its natural effect, and the people will be enabled to see what an incubus the monster, Protection, has been.

A WRITER in Scribner's Magazine bewails the fact that in order to get political news it is necessary to interview people who know the facts instead of reading partisan newspapers. The complaint is well founded. Take two metropolitan dailies of opposite political creeds. Any account of a convention in the two will be quite dissimilar and neither can be safely believed, the truth lying, probably, midway between the reports.

A NEW agricultural pest is doing much harm in the South, more particularly in sandy soils. It is the nut grass or sedge grass, and has spread in a few years from the Gulf to Southern Illinois. The Agricultural Department advises farmers to cut it down while in the flowering stage in the late summer. So long as it is not allowed to seed its spread cannot be rapid.

THE English prime minister has formally declared war against the House of Lords and a long and bitter contest is in sight. Our House of Lords or millionaires, the Senate, should look to its ways. Such high handed work as it has done of late is calculated to bring it under a like odium with that of the English upper chamber.

IF the reports of enormous new gold fields in Australia prove true, we may have a new financial problem on our hands ere long. Any great increase in the world's store of the yellow metal would prove an embarrassing circumstance for the goldbugs who insist upon the single standard.

THE new American liner steamer St. Louis is the largest vessel ever built in an American shipyard, being over one-tenth of a mile long. She is also one of the most complete vessels afloat, and is an entirely American product. Named after Missouri's metropolis, long may she breast the billows.

THE Republican papers are in raptures because 7,000 people went to see and hear Gov. McKinley at New Orleans. Pshaw! As many would have turned out to see a two-headed calf. Naturally they wanted to see the man who could perpetrate such an atrocity as the McKinley tariff.

THE differences in what the average farmer pays or had to pay on the necessities of life under the tariff of 1861, '90 and '94 are thus summarized as to an amount of expenditure of \$255. Under the law of 1861, \$63.09; under that of 1890, \$93.61; and under that of 1894, \$62.29.

GERMANY is closing her ports to American cattle and meats on the old pretext of disease. It seems that many of the horses which we import from Germany are also diseased, and it is now proposed to close our ports against them.

LONDON and other foreign capitals are driving out their anarchists, who are mostly coming to the United States. Uncle Sam should put an embargo on that class of immigrants.

THE panic which Republican maladministration precipitated helped that party to a temporary victory on Tuesday. "The de'il's bairns hae aye their ain luck."

THE world grows better. In 1859 England sent 2,589 criminals into penal servitude. In 1893 the number was only 833.

THE tariff will have had time to speak for itself by 1896. Our people are shy of strangers at first.

WE fought three to one—the Republicans, Populists and A. P. A. against the Democrats.

THE Democratic majority in Missouri is not quite as "disgusting" as usual this year.

NEW YORK won't do any dictating in the next Democratic National Convention.

IT don't pay to be overconfident—no matter how good your cause.

HILL knew what he was about when he stuck to his Senatorship.

THE Democrats still have the post-offices.

Oh, the exceeding saltiness of Salt River!

"Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth."

We'd rather be right than victorious.

"No use crying over spilt milk."

We move the previous question.

This is an off year—'way off.

Once k—what struck us?

## SOUTHEAST NOTES.

The Perryville mills now pay 5c per bushel more for wheat than before the advent of the railroad. The iron horse and better country roads beat Protection in the interest of the farmer.

The lumber interest in Poplar Bluff will be benefited by an improved system of river transportation in conjunction with spurs of railroad running back into the timbered areas.

Editor Hill, of the Dexter Messenger, is a crack bicycle rider, but the Butler Fair people made him ride without compliance with their rules.

Hunting and fishing are exceptionally good on Black River this fall.

An assertion by a Pemisicott correspondent of the Cape Era to the effect that the Caruthersville branch line will not be completed is denounced by the Dunklin Democrat as a baseless fabrication.

The Farmers' Institutes in Southeast Missouri have been fairly well attended and have aroused intelligent interest and discussion amongst agriculturists.

The Caruthersville Democrat will be enlarged to a six-column quarto. The suit of Sam Buckalew versus certain citizens of Cape Girardeau for false imprisonment came up in the United States circuit court at St. Louis last week and was continued by the plaintiff.

Cape Girardeau has no street lights at present, being thus fully up to Benton.

The Presbyterians at Cape Girardeau will build a parsonage.

Stoddard county is being colonized and improved at a fair rate of progress, much of the timber lands passing into the hands of capitalists who mean business.

The A. P. A. has cut a considerable figure in Jefferson county this fall, more especially in De Soto.

A drill hole 637 feet deep has been bored for the Pitcher Lead Co., in St. Francois county.

Dexter Messenger: It is proposed to form a Fair circuit for this section to be called, we presume, the Southeast Missouri Fair Circuit. Secretary Hoag, of the Butler County Fair association, is pushing the matter now, although we believe the matter was first suggested by E. C. Mohrstadt, Secretary of the Stoddard County Fair. The advantages of such an organization are apparent and every Fair association in this section should take immediate action to bring it about.

The Mississippi river continues to be very low—lower than at any time since 1871.

Ducks and geese are reported fairly plentiful in their Southeast Missouri haunts, and hunting parties are the order of the day.

Charleston Democrat: The Iron Mountain railroad will put on a new fast mail service December 2, on the main line. The train will leave St. Louis at 3 a. m., and will likely reach Poplar Bluff in time to connect with the eastbound Cat passenger train, thus enabling Charleston readers to have the St. Louis morning papers before noon of the day of issue. Scott county will get the papers about noon.

Horse thieves in New Madrid ply their trade right on the streets of the county seat, it seems.

The New Madrid grand jury failed to indict Isaac English for the murder of "Tip" Foley.

A case settled in the New Madrid circuit court last week was a damage suit against the St. Louis S. W. Ry. for a \$150 horse. It had already been in the courts of five or six counties, and the costs ran over \$800. The railroad won it.

It is proposed to have a Southeast Missouri Bar Association.

Two New Madrid county hunters were nearly killed by some miscreant putting croton oil on their coon meat while they were absent from camp.

The Buzzsaw is a new paper published at Williamsville by Will D. Wright. Don't monkey with it.

## Crandall vs. Matthews.

The case of Jos. E. Crandall vs. A. J. Matthews in court this week attracted considerable attention, the trial occupying the time till Thursday morning when all the testimony was concluded and the case ready for argument and it resulted in an abrupt termination by the plaintiff's attorney, Hon. W. Wilson Cramer, who for good reasons took a nonsuit, and thus ended the case in this court. The suit is for \$30,000 damages, assault by defendant, who hit plaintiff in the eye with an iron weight and, as testified by physicians, permanently destroyed plaintiff's sight of one eye. There were about twenty-three witnesses for defendant and twelve for plaintiff. The nonsuit means a new trial in another court.—New Madrid Record.

Say, boys, when you are in Sikeston call and see us. We keep Fresh Oysters, Hot Wieners, Head Cheese, Fine Candies, Fruits Nuts, Etc.

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## November Forecasts.

November arrived on schedule time yesterday and will stay until after Thanksgiving. This is a month of bleak winds and dead leaves. The brown fields are herbless. The dusky waters of the rivulet shudder as they shine. Angry night clouds teem with storms and savage winds fly howling in the face of heaven. The grunts of the sky and red o'er the forest peers the setting sun. The family cow bows her back to the beating rain and sends forth her mournful dirge upon the dismal scene. Lonesome sounds the call of the complaining crow as he sits upon the fence. The buzzards have gone south to investigate the sugar bounty and the little birds have sung their last lay. So have the hens; eggs will go up to twenty cents a dozen. The creak of the sorghum mill is no longer heard in the land and the pumpkin lies neglected between the corn rows because there has been an over production. The stealthy possum searches the topmost limbs of the persimmon tree for a midnight lunch and shudders as he hears the distant bay of the coon dog. No mellow year is hastening to its close. The new flannel undergarments cause the skin to itch and the house wife goes about with a cold in the head and a shawl over her ears. The brown rocks have cast their summer wreaths and the dark November days wander wild and wet or stand arrayed in somber garb in the joyless fields rebuking the lingering color that shines in the hectic cheeks of the dying foliage. The querulous squawking of the fattening hogs is borne upon the midnight air as they struggle for a warm place in the bed and the hungry schoolboy lies awake and yearns for "killin' time" to come with its spare ribs and tender loin, its bladders and backbones.

This is the month when the elder giveth its color in the cup and causeth the old man's nose to bloom and a bottle of castor oil. Internal distillations of wassail and good cheer, of pumpkin pies and mince meat; when the noise of popping corn is heard in the kitchen and the odor of molasses candy floats upon the air and sifts through the keyhole. It comes in with the storm of an election and goes out stuffed with Thanksgiving turkey.

A regular storm period is central in New York on the 6th, and will be felt with more or less violence all over the United States. Large numbers of statesmen will be found frozen in the icy rigging of the Ship of State on the morning of November 7th. Defeated candidates will stand around and chew the bitter cud of disappointment and say in their haste: "All men are liars." The country papers will hunt their ancient and time-worn poultry cuts and roosters rampant will rear back and crow at the heads of their columns. Some of them, however, will not give a paper show, but their columns will be filled with learned articles on the best method of fattening hogs.

Thanksgiving comes this year on the 29th. On this day the American youths visit their grandmothers and see how much they can eat. On the night of the 29th a storm will be central in and around the turkey-stuffed viscera of the youth of the land, and the anxious grandmother will appear on the scene carrying a big spoon and a bottle of castor oil. Internal disturbances will continue for a day or two and the month will go out with a bad taste in its mouth.—Montgomery News.

## Criminal Trials.

From the Jefferson City Tribune. The people ought to require every candidate for the legislature in this state to pledge himself to vote and work for a reform in the criminal laws. Unless the people take this matter in hand it is hardly probable that any desirable results will be accomplished. A short cut in the direction of reducing expenses would be to require every county to pay its own criminal costs. So much can be said on this matter of criminal costs that the subject is practically inexhaustible. Two years ago the legislature undertook some reforms and so managed affairs that there will be a deficiency of over \$100,000 for the next legislature to meet. When it is remembered that the last assembly appropriated \$500,000 for criminal costs it will be observed that this item is becoming a matter of serious concern.

If the criminal laws were enforced as they should be, there would not be so much ground for complaint on account of the money expended. But every person with common intelligence is aware of the fact that the laws are not enforced as they should be. It requires a year or longer to force anyone charged with crime to go to trial, provided, of course, he has money enough to employ a good lawyer. There is no sense in maintaining such laws. They stand as a monument to legislative stupidity.

The practice of criminal law has now been reduced to a science of securing continuances and changes of venue. Every continuance adds to the bills the taxpayers must foot, and tends to render justice helpless. For some reason the interest of persons charged with crime is considered to be much more worthy of protection than the interest of tax-payers and society generally. When a man commits a foul crime, the machinery of the law is immediately set to work to protect him and make the tax-payers foot the costs. It cost the state more than \$8,000 to hang Wils. Howard, a murderer, concerning whose guilt there was no doubt. The state has not yet been able to force young Weir, of Southeast Missouri, to go to trial, although he was indicted for murder in the first degree more than a year ago, and it is charged that he has since committed another felony. But as this is a case that will likely be brought to the attention of the legislature, it is hardly proper at this time to discuss it.

We venture the assertion that there is not a county in the state where abuses are not common and criminals escape through the laxity of the laws. The people believe that where a crime has been committed the criminal should be tried within a reasonable time, and not at some remote period in the future when the chances

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of conviction have greatly diminished. The laws are now arranged for the special convenience of criminals and the successful practice of criminal law. Is it not time to give the tax-payers and society generally a chance to be heard?

## A Little of Everything.

In one of the New York apartment houses there are 226 pianos—one to every four persons, besides a whole orchestra of piccolos, violins, guitars, cornets, and an old-fashioned melodeon. Those who live across the way say that it is the noisiest house in America.

The most unique Sunday school in the world is one on the line of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad, among the telegraphers. The regular lesson leaf is used, and all the questions and answers are given by wire.

A New Jersey boy, who experienced great difficulty in swallowing, had an operation performed on his throat which brought to light a large pearl. It is thought he swallowed it in an oyster.

Searchlights are such good targets for the enemy's guns that the Germans are arranging to throw the light first on a mirror and thence on the enemy, thereby concealing its real source.

A negro had a streak of luck while fishing in the Flint river near Albany. His line became tangled in something, which proved to be a lady's gold necklace, which had evidently lain at the bottom of the river for many years.

In that portion of Texas and Arizona known as the great American desert there are no odors. Flowers and fruits grow in some parts of it, but they have no smell whatever. The rarity of the atmosphere is said to be the cause of this.

Wine made from potatoes is the discovery recently made by a French chemist. He always removes the eyes from the potato before he begins work, and his process is a secret one.

The largest plow in the world is owned by Richard Gird, of San Bernardino Co., Cal. This immense seed turner stands 18 feet high and weighs 30,000 pounds. It runs by steam.

The rudder of the Cunard steamship Campania consists of a single plate of steel, 25 by 11 feet 6 inches and 11 inches thick. It was rolled at Krupp's German gun factory.

In Japan a man can "live like a gentleman" on a little over \$500 a year. With this sum he can employ two servants, pay the rent of a house and have plenty of food.

A loud clap of thunder will cause a lobster to drop his claws, a crawfish his fins, a woman to scream, a cat to become deaf, a pig's nose to bleed, and milk to turn sour.

Ninety tiny reptiles crawled out of the body of one garter snake cut in two by a train at Washington, Mo. Several affidavits support the singular story.

The highest lighthouse on the American coast is that of Cape Henry, Va. It is 165 feet in height, built wholly of iron.

A woman in Boston is suing the estate of a deceased physician for \$150,000 because of his breach of promise to marry her.

A Boston naturalist with a tuning fork has discovered that crickets chirp in unison, and that their note is E natural.

The robin is always the last bird to go to bed in the evening. Its eyes are large, and it can see well by a dim light.

The roar of Niagara has been photographed and may be heard in any part of America for a small fee.

The busiest railway station in the world is Clapham Junction, England, with about 1,400 trains daily.

Carriages propelled by electricity derived from a storage battery are common in Berlin.

Sizzard, as expressive of the opposite of blizzard, has been adopted in Washington.

The Tartars take a man by the ear to invite him to eat and drink with them.

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STRAYED.		Probate Docket.	
From my farm, one mile south of Diehlstadt, about April 1, 1894, one cream colored Jersey cow, unmarked, with right horn hanging down over face and about eight years old. Three heifers, about one and a half years old, one deep red, one deep red roan, one muley, deep red with dark neck and head, all marked with hole in right and overbit in left ear. A liberal reward will be paid for information leading to their recovery. Max L. Oeynck, Diehlstadt, Mo.		List of Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Curators who are required by law to exhibit their accounts for settlement on the day and date before named, at the November term, 1894, of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the town of Benton, Scott County, Missouri, commencing on Monday, Nov. 12, 1894.	
Monday—First day.		Tuesday—Second day.	
ESTATE. Adm. Guard, Ex'r. Cur. Louis Hoelter Allen Della W. H. Myers Bray Robt Jas. McPheters Bray Sam Joe Miller Banks Theresa Sam'l Tanner Coleman E. E. et al Gooddort Wm. et al Gaither Bertie Columbia Gaither Gaither Nell and Edna Columbia Gaither Hunter Louis L. Jas. McPheters Harness Phillip L. Reigert Hahn Chas. Geo Hoffman Hart M. F. J. H. Moore		James Maggie C. Della James James Henry C. " " James Ula E. " " Kuchner E. Andrew Schoen Metz F. J. Louisa Oberlie Moore Besie M. J. Moore Moore Selmer A. G. Essner Miller John et al Joe Miller Moore B. C. Sam'l Tanner Nichols John D. et al J. W. Blocker Potter Ida B. F. Finley Potts Flora	
Wednesday—Third day.		Friday—Fifth day.	
Ristig Joana P. Ristig Scherer C. L. and G. W. J. K. F. Chewning Smith Jas A. W. H. Heisecker Summote Jno. L. W. H. Stubbfield, Jr Summote Walker " " Summote Grace " " Schafer Jno. L. Andrew Schoen Winchester Luther Jas. Winchoester Attest: A true copy from the records of the Probate Court. CHAS. A. LEEDY, Probate Judge.		NOTICE. I hereby give to creditors and all others interested in the estate of Magdalene A. Hahn, deceased, that I, the undersigned administrator, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Mo., to be begun and held at the court house in the town of Benton in said county on the second Monday of November next, 1894. W. H. STUBBLEFIELD, Jr., Adm'r.	
NOTICE. I hereby give to creditors and all others interested in the estate of Chas. Hahn, deceased, that I, the undersigned administrator, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Mo., to be begun and held at the court house in the town of Benton in said county on the second Monday of November next, 1894. JOHN HOFFMAN, Adm'r. D. B. N.		NOTICE. I hereby give to creditors and all others interested in the estate of Chas. Hahn, deceased, that I, the undersigned administrator, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Mo., to be begun and held at the court house in the town of Benton in said county on the second Monday of November next, 1894. JOHN HOFFMAN, Adm'r. D. B. N.	

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